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## NEW YORK EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 3 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER

Egg production on New York farms totaled 98 million eggs in November 2009, down 3 percent from last year, according to Stephen Ropel, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York office.

The number of hens and pullets of laying age, at 4.08 million, increased 2 percent from November 2008 but the rate of lay decreased slightly to 2,400 eggs per 100 layers.

A dozen eggs brought New York poultry farmers an average of 86.3 cents per dozen for eggs sold in November, up 19.8 cents from October but down 6.3 cents from November 2008.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.55 billion during November 2009, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.52 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 960 million were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2009 averaged 337 million, down slightly from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,238 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2008.

U.S. Egg-type chicks hatched during November 2009 totaled 34.9 million, up 2 percent from November 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.0 million on December 1, 2009, up 12 percent from a year ago. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at www.nass.usda.gov/ny.